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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting of the Interagency Working Group  
on Intelligence Definitions, 26 October 1977

1. The Group today began reviewing the definitions that have been contributed by the various NFIB agencies for inclusion in a glossary.
2. The first definitions taken up were submitted by the undersigned on NFAC's behalf. This submission, which had been reviewed by Mr. Lehman, was accepted with only one significant change: a National Estimate was made synonymous with a National Intelligence Estimate, rather than an estimate issued by the DCI. Under instructions not to flag the fact that NFAC will be issuing estimates under the DCI's auspices without coordinating them with the Intelligence Community, I did not debate the change. DIA, to my surprise, did not challenge the definition on the grounds that departments can produce national intelligence; we may hear from DIA later.
3. The Group next considered four definitions supplied by the Army. My contribution was to expand the definition of net assessment to include: "intelligence net assessments involve only forces of foreign countries."
4. The Group also considered two definitions from the Department of Energy on energy intelligence and proliferation intelligence. These will be cleared with the appropriate NIOs.
5. Finally, the Group approved a definition of actionable intelligence supplied by the Human Resources Committee.
6. The Group's next meeting will be at 0930 on 1 November, when the review will continue.

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